RESOLUTION FOR PEACE AND SUPPORT

WHEREAS, the events of October 7 and resulting conflict between Israel and Hamas has led to a humanitarian crisis affecting countless families with tremendous loss of Palestinian and Israeli life;

WHEREAS, we agree that all human life is precious, no matter what their faith or ethnicity; that the City of Greensboro has a diverse population including many with family, social and business ties to Israeli and Palestinian citizens here and abroad;

WHEREAS, many in our community have been deeply impacted by this conflict;

WHEREAS, this Council acknowledges the deep personal impact that this conflict has had on numerous members of our community and extends its sincere condolences to those who have lost loved ones and extended family members in this conflict;

WHEREAS, the Greensboro City Council recognizes the importance of peace, safety and the protection of all human life for individuals in our city, our state, our nation and our world;

WHEREAS, this Council urges our national leaders to do everything in their power to end this conflict and to begin the process for a peaceful, sustainable solution;

WHEREAS, we also acknowledge that harassment, discrimination and violence toward Muslims, Jews and other minorities are contradictory to the values which define the residents of Greensboro; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Greensboro that Greensboro supports and cares for its residents who have been directly impacted by this conflict; and we condemn any form of harassment, hate speech, Jewish- hate or Islamophobia that may be directed toward anyone who resides in our community.